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Minutes of 127th Meeting held in J.I.S.P.B. on  
Monday, 19 February 1945, at 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT

ALSO PRESENT

Col. George W. Bicknell, G-2, Chairman  
Capt. Alexander Macomb, ONI  
Major F. L. Battles, A-2  
Capt. J. M. McCaskill, OCE

Lt. Cdr. D. J. Clinton, Staff  
Major H. H. Rasche, Staff  
Lt. L. Quam, Staff  
Lt. A. W. Van Rees, Staff

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SECRETARIAT

Lt. Col. G.H. Kountz  
Capt. P. P. Sobo

Minutes of the 126th meeting were read by the Chairman, and approved as read.

1. GENERAL

OSS maps for Chapter X, JANIS 73, which were temporarily misplaced, have been found.

Absenteeism, tardiness and leave were discussed. It was brought out that because of the prevalence of these undesirable practices the completion of JANIS has been hindered and necessary action to correct this situation must be instituted by Section Chiefs.

Captain Macomb reported on his visits to the Library of Congress. Many publications are available on JANIS 153 area but very few (about 16) could be of use. Of these 16, only 3 or 4 are exceptionally good. One in particular, printed in Dutch, should be translated. Captain Macomb will visit other libraries in Washington. In this connection, the Chairman stated that the Dutch Mission maintains a list of local translators which might be of value.

The Chairman discussed the policy of authorizing civilian experts, on temporary duty in Washington, to review JANIS material. For security reasons, such reviews should not be made in JISPB; however, JANIS material may be borrowed by the contributor and reviewed in his office.

The distribution of JANIS 77 was discussed. Pending a decision, this matter is being held in abeyance.

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Major Battles reported on a conference with G-2 on standardization of Far East airfield nomenclatures and place names. The theater will cable names and coordinates and will follow up with photos and other material by pouch. Names will be cleared with BGN. Washington will become the governing authority for place names.

Major Battles suggested that photo coverage of certain areas be listed in three parts. List #1 should indicate photos available in Washington; list #2 should include photos available in the field; and list #3 should cover the photos required. Photos from the 20th & 21st Air Forces are generally sent to G-2 for interpretation and dissemination to other agencies.

25X1C8c [redacted] reported that his replacement, [redacted] will arrive on 24-25 February.  
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The insertion of chapters within the cover binders was discussed. With the concurrence of Navy R.P.S., it was concluded that the covers should be distributed as a separate part of the JANIS and need not include any chapters. The letter of promulgation will be corrected accordingly.

## 2. EDITORIAL

Cdr. Clinton reported that: JANIS 73 has been completed and that JANIS 77 target dates have been met well ahead of schedule. However, 2 chapters might be late in view of difficulties with Chapter VI, as well as because of the recent high degree of absenteeism. ~~This Chapter was scheduled for 24th February but will not be ready until the end of the month, because of difficulties which were previously discussed with the chairman. This record would have been better had it not been for~~  
3. PRODUCTION *considerable time lost because of illness.*

Lt. Van Rees reported that: Some insert material for JANIS 77 is late; this matter will be discussed with Captain McCaskill.

Advance copies of Chapter II, JANIS 73, should arrive today. Chapters VII and IX may also be received, but are presently scheduled for delivery on 21 February.

## 4. PLANNING

Lt. Quam reported that: The minutes of the 125th meeting, which read: "At this time, the text material will be included in Chapter V; however, a climatic map will be include in Chapter II" should be amended to read "When material is submitted, it will be determined whether the text material will be included in Chapter V or Chapter II; however, a climatic summary will be included in summary table of Chapter II."

Preliminary climatic material for JANIS 75 will be submitted by OQMC on 15 March. The basic meteorological data used in preparation of this contribution will be checked by J.M.C. immediately upon receipt.

JANIS 150 bibliography and instruction sheet were distributed last week.

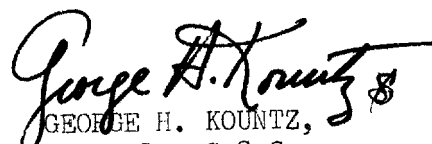
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Memorandum #11, announcing JANIS 153, will be distributed today. The G-2 bibliography was incomplete and a supplement, based upon this data, will be distributed today.

A meeting with personnel of OSS Map Intelligence Section and Office of Chief of Engineers is contemplated in the near future.

JANIS 150 base map has not been delivered; this base map together with the base map for JANIS 153 should arrive Wednesday, 21 February.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
GEORGE H. KOUNTZ,  
Lt. Col., G.S.C.,  
Secretary.